

REMARKS

Claim 33 has been amended to depend from claim 32 and therefore is no longer a duplicate of claim 30.

The "double patenting" rejection/ objection under 37 CFR 1.75 as set forth in paragraph 7 of the office action is moot in view of cancellation of claims 30 and 31 which duplicated claims 28 and 29.

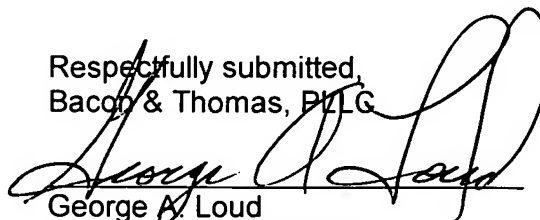
The rejection of claims 20-22, 28, 30, 32 and 33 for obviousness is respectfully traversed based on the present amendments. Claim 20 is believed to have been amended in such a manner as to limit it to what the Examiner has indicated to be patentable subject matter. The combination of elements 114 and 116 in Bhatt, which the Examiner refers to as "locking means", does not include a pawl.

Further, what the Examiner refers to as "distal end 120 in Bhatt" is a bottom plate, not a distal end of "inclined plate 106". The plates 106, 108 and 120 in Bhatt (Fig. 7) are integral and there is no free distal end of a plate 106 extending from a base fixed to a frame. Thus the angle of plate 106 in Bhatt is fixed and is not free to change (flex or deform) to better fit and position on a mounting stand.

New claim 34 defines slits as exemplified by the slits on opposing side of the locking pawl 19 as shown in Figs. 6 and 7. The slits increase the flexibility of the inclined plates to allow them to more precisely (closely) contact the inclined support surfaces of the inclination supporting stands.

Accordingly, reconsideration in view of the present amendments is respectfully requested.

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